GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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Setting up of Odissi Museum
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up "Odissi Museum" at Guru Kelu Charan Odissi Research Centre, Bhubhaneshwar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) CULTURE & TOURISM

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b) Ministry of Culture does not establish museums on its own. However, it operates Museum Grant Scheme under which financial assistance is provided to State Governments, voluntary bodies, Societies and Trusts registered as a society under the Indian Societies Act of 1860 (XXI) or a similar legislation of the state governments for setting up new museums and for development of existing museums for which proposals are required to be submitted in the prescribed proforma alongwith requisite documents.

The proposal of Guru Kelu Charan Mahapatra Odissi Research Centre, Bhubaneshwar seeking financial assistance under Museum Grant Scheme for establishment of Odissi Museum at Bhubaneshwar was placed before the Expert Committee in its meeting held on 6.5.2014. The Committee considered the proposal and made certain observations which were conveyed to the organization on 17.07.2014. Reply on the observations has not been received yet.